



NUUANU/ PUNCHBOWL NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 12

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, JULY 18, 2006

BOOTH DISTRICT PARK

7:15 P.M.

STATE, CITY & COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS, OMPO, AND OTHER AGENCIES

State, City & County Elected Officials, OMPO, and other agencies are encouraged to bring ample copies of their published reports to the scheduled Neighborhood Board meeting, or to deliver them to the Neighborhood Board Commission (Attn: Chair – NHB #12, Honolulu Hale, 530 S. King Street, Suite #400) **NO LATER THAN July 17, 2006 (Monday)**. Reports submitted will be distributed to Board members, and extra copies provided will be made available for attending guests.

CITIZENS/COMMUNITY CONCERNS

- Citizens are encouraged to contact their elected neighborhood Board members regarding their issues. (See Neighborhood Board No 12 Directory as published on the City's website – below).
- Citizens are encouraged to submit written requests (for agenda consideration), 21 days prior to future Neighborhood Board meetings to: Chair – NHB #12, Honolulu Hale. 530 S. King Street, Suite 400, Honolulu Hi 96813.
- Neighborhood Board Members are encouraged to immediately notify and/or forward citizens/community concerns received by them to the **CHAIR**, for timely implementation and referral towards bringing concerns to a closure. The intention of the Chair is to circumvent a "bottleneck effect" in addressing citizens'/community concerns at future Neighborhood Board Meetings.

The Chair requests that board members **NOT BEING ABLE TO ATTEND** this scheduled board meeting to call him **BEFORE 4:00 P.M.** At 864-4941 or 527-5569. If it is determined by the Chair that the board will not have a quorum, the meeting will be **CANCELLED**. All invited guests listed on the agenda will be notified. Citizens wishing to attend the meeting may call the Chair at 864-4941, to confirm if the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

The Chair requests full cooperation by members of the board, and guests; to be focused on the issue at hand, and to be very brief in their comments, and/or questions. Any Neighborhood Board member or guest desiring to ask a question, or to make a statement, must be recognized by the Chair before proceeding. All members of the Neighborhood Board are to address the Chair, and not to have discussions among themselves or to each other. Individuals using cell phones should have it turned off, or on vibrate mode while the meeting is in progress.

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIR: AL CANOPIN, JR.

2. VACANCIES:

- A. Subdistrict 1 - (one seat) - vacated by Leimamo Kapea
- B. Subdistrict 3 (one seat)

3. BIRTHDAY RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEMBER(S) PATT SPENCER, REMY LURIA, AND AL CANOPIN, JR.



4. HONOLULU FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE HONOLULU POLICE DEPARTMENT

- Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)
- Honolulu Police Department (HPD)
 - 1) District 1 – Honolulu
 - 2) District 5 – Kalihi

5. NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY WATCH

- A. Pauoa (Mason Aiona)
- B. Nuuanu (Paula Kurashige)
- C. Pacific Heights (Patt Spencer)

*** Parameters for items 6 thru 9:**

- Elected officials or their representatives will be allotted a five (5) minute presentation.
- Board members and guests will be limited to two (2) questions. Anyone desiring to exceed the two (2) question restriction will have the opportunity to submit it in writing for a later response.
- Questions asked will be limited to fifteen (15) SECONDS.
- "Compounded" questions will not be permitted.
- Response to questions will have a time limit of one (1) minute. Responses exceeding the one (1) minute restriction will be responded to in writing to the neighborhood board for publication.

6. STATE OF HAWAII EXECUTIVE BRANCH

- Honorable Governor Linda Lingle, or her representative:
Mark Bennett (State Attorney General)

7. CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU EXECUTIVE BRANCH

- Honorable Mayor Mufi Hannemann, or his representative:
Gail Haraguchi (Deputy Director of Enterprise Services)

8. CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

- Honorable Councilmember Rod Tam

9. STATE OF HAWAII LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

- Honorable Senator Carol Fukunaga
- Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland
- Honorable Representative Sylvia Luke
- Honorable Representative Corrine W.L. Ching

10. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2006.

11. SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

12. REVIEW THE INVENTORY/STATUS OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.

13. PAUOA VALLEY CHRISTMAS PARADE.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A.** RATIFICATION OF PRE-ESTABLISHED LOCATION TO HOLD REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS. Note:
The Chair Spoke with Vera (595-5422) of Nuuanu Elementary School. Vera said that she will continue to hold the reservation until the board makes a decision.

**15. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY BOARD OFFICERS
(NO LATER THAN 8:55 P.M.)**

16. ADJOURNMENT (NO LATER THAN 9:00 P.M.)

NUUANU/PUNCHBOWL NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD DIRECTORY

SUBDISTRICT 1:

Chair Al Canopin Jr. – 864-4941 (E) 527-5569
James Bannan – 521-5465
Richard Carreira – 537-4106
Remy Luria – (B) 538-8300

SUBDISTRICT 3:

Vice Chair Paula Kurashige – 595-7094
Dean Asahina – 595-6452 (B) 845-3986
Audrey Hidano – 595-6262 (B) 847-5555
Philip Nerney – 537-1777

SUBDISTRICT 2:

Secretary/Treasurer Patt Spencer – 521-2761
Vice Secretary/Treasurer Wendy Ogawa – 479-6286x216
Mason Aiona – 538-6173
Sylvia Young – 845-9022
Heather Mullins Crislip

Any person requiring accommodations to participate in this meeting may call the

Neighborhood Commission Office at 523-4944

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Nuuanu/Punchbowl Neighborhood Board

Inventory of Community Concerns

July 18, 2006

- **ITEM # 1: Kapaloala Place Adjacent to Pauoa Elementary School Parking Lot) – January 5, 2005**

SERVICE REQUESTED:

- Provide timetable/target start & finish dates for the proposed widening project at the location.
- Provide information regarding the source of funding for the project.
- Provide justification for proceeding with this project.
- Provide detailed map of project, and information regarding the impact upon residents at the location.
- Provide documentation of a public hearing, notification to residents in the area, acceptance by residents impacted, to include an endorsement by the neighborhood board.
- DO NOT proceed with this project without first providing the impacted property owners/residents an opportunity to express their concerns via a public hearing, etc.
- Respond to Councilmember Rod Tam's office, and to the requestor (Robert Lum) with your findings, recommendations, and intended action to be taken.

NOTE(s):

- Kapaloala Place is a public and private roadway.
- Residents have indicated that they DO NOT support this proposed widening roadway project.
- Inquiries and request for information regarding this project from the requestor to the Managing Director's Office and the Department of Transportation Services have been unanswered for nearly a year.

STATUS/Action Taken:

Memorandum – dated January 27, 2006 from Department of Transportation Services to Director Henry Eng (Department of Planning and Permitting) stated: "Department of Planning and Permitting will be preparing the appropriate response, and there is no requirement from the Department of Transportation Services.

Status: Response from the Department of Planning and Permitting is pending.

A 2nd follow-up inquiry was sent to the City Administration on March 10, 2006.

A letter (March 22, 2006) was forwarded from NHB 12 Chair to Mayor Mufi Hannemann – requesting for an expedited response.

A letter dated May 8, 2006 was signed by approximately 35 residents in the area and sent to Mayor Mufi Hannemann for a response.

A follow-up inquiry was made by Councilmember Rod Tam's Office on June 8 and July 10, 2006 to the city's Managing Director's Office.

June 14, 2006 – An Email was received from the city's Managing Director's office that a reminder has been forwarded to the Department of Transportation Services, Design and Construction, and Planning and Permitting for an immediate response. (Ref RISR #: 135842)

Response Pending.

- **ITEM # 2: LACK OF PARKING S. Kuakini St. (between Nuuanu Avenue and Pali Hwy.) - Request by: Representative Sylvia Luke - February 2006**

SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

There is not enough parking for area residents, and as a result, police are ticketing cars much more frequently. Please investigate this situation and see if a solution can be implemented.

STATUS/Action Taken: Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

- **ITEM # 3: EXCESSIVE SPEEDING AT PUIWA ROAD – Tara Kaneko – March 10, 2006**

STATUS/Action Taken:

Residents have expressed their concerns regarding excessive speeding (45+MPH) on Puiwa Road. Councilmember Tam's office submitted a request to investigate the feasibility of installing a speed bump at the blind curve adjacent to 130 Puiwa Road, and/or to find another optional measure to reduce speeding in the area, to increase motor vehicle and pedestrian safety. Response from the City Administration is pending.

- **ITEM # 4: KIMO BRIDGE –**
(Board member Paula Kurashige)

Kimo Bridge is in disrepair, and needs work to **reduce the flooding**. No maintenance has been done on the bridge for years. The Pelekane Street Bridge also needs to be reviewed.

STATUS/Action Taken:

More time is needed for investigation. Response Pending.

- **ITEM # 5: PALI DRIVE**
(Board member Paula Kurashige)

Pali Drive (the 1st house on Nuuanu Pali Drive off Pali Hwy), the sidewalk area is severely overgrown. Disabled persons must walk in the street to get to Pali Hwy. It's very dangerous. The house there is rented. Please assist in clearing.

STATUS/Action Taken: Response Pending.

- **ITEM # 6: Bridge at Auwaiolimu Street**
(Board members Sylvia Young and James Bannan)

The bridge is owned by Hawaiian Homes (DHHL). It was privately owned, then DHHL wanted to turn it over to Pauoa School, but they didn't want to take it.

STATUS/Action Taken: Response from the City Administration:

This is a State issue and should be forwarded to the Governor's representative.
Response Pending.

Ref RISR: 119501 The Department of Design and Construction stated that this referral is to be made to the Department of Facility Maintenance. On July 10, 2006 a follow-up inquiry was forwarded to the city's Managing Director's office.

- **ITEM # 7: 2161 Pauoa Road**
Request by: Representative Sylvia Luke

SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

- There is a small grassy area in front of 2161 Pauoa Road, which has become a neighborhood magnet for bulky pickup items. Many of these items are not acceptable for bulky pickup and the accumulation is becoming a safety hazard. Please have these bulky items removed as to prevent any injuries to residents in the area.
- Please investigate the feasibility of placing an official City & County "No Dumping" sign on the existing telephone pole fronting 2161 Pauoa Road.

STATUS/Action Taken: Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office.
Response Pending.

- **ITEM # 8: NAMILIMILI STREET**
Request by: Marvin Kailikea

SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

- Please provide street cleaning services every Tuesday & Thursday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Namilimili Street in Pauoa Valley. This request stems from the excessive amount of rubbish created by the Monkey Pod Trees at Booth Park, which is directly across Namilimili Street. For many years, the rubbish from these trees has created a great burden on the residents in the area.
- To help facilitate this street cleaning, residents are requesting the installation of "No Parking" signs on Namilimili Street, which would prohibit parking only on Tuesdays & Thursdays, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon.
- A petition were signed by the Namilimili Street residents who are in favor of these measures.

STATUS/Action Taken:

Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

- **ITEM # 9: BOOTH ROAD**

Request by: Councilmember Rod Tam

SERVICE(s) REQUESTED:

- City crews recently cleared some overgrowth on a stream embankment located across 2642 Booth Road. However, there is still a lot of overgrowth in the stream that needs to be cleared. Please have this overgrowth removed as it may contribute to flooding in this area during times of heavy rain.

STATUS/Action Taken:

Forwarded to the City Administration via Councilmember Rod Tam's office. Response Pending.

- **ITEM #10: Potential hill-slide of Pali Highway (Pauoa on-ramp & Wyllie St. off-ramp, Kailua direction). Installation of large flashing lights – Honolulu bound, Pali Highway lanes, above Oahu Country Club Road. Requested by: Arthur Haruki – April 30, 2006**

STATUS/Action Taken: Each notified on May 2, 2006.

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senchunoakland@Capitol.hawaii.gov

repluke@Capitol.hawaii.gov

STATUS: Response Pending.

- **ITEM #11: By the Papakolea Community Association (Puni Kekauoha)- Requesting that the City Administration provide 2-3 bulk rubbish trucks, and flatbeds for refrigerators and appliances on each of the dates below, for the hours of 8:00 a.m. thru 12:00 noon.**

--- On June 10, 2006 Papakolea above the bridge/Mauka of Tantalus

--- On June 17, 2006 Papakolea above the bridge/Makai of Tantalus, Kewalo, and Kalawahine Streamside

NOTE: This is usually an annual community event.

The community will provide manpower/labor (20-30 men)

Lunch will be provided at noon.

STATUS/ACTION TAKEN: Forwarded to the City Administration for consideration.

A Follow-up inquiry was made by Councilmember Rod Tam's Office on June 8, and July 10, 2006 to the city's Managing Director's Office.

June 14, 2006 - An email was received from the city's Managing Director's office stating that a follow-up inquiry was forwarded to the Department of Environmental Services for an immediate response. Reference RISR #150941

Response Pending.

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- **ITEM#12: By Board Sec./Treasurer Patt Spencer (May 16, 2006) – Request for a delayed red, or advanced green traffic light – on the left turn unto Lusitana Street from School Street. Example: Nehoa/Auwaiolimu Street traffic lights.**

STATUS/Action Taken:

June 7, 2006 - Office of the Managing Director informed Councilmember Tam's office that this matter was referred to the Department of Transportation Services for a response.

CORRECTED RESPONSE from Melvin Kaku (Director, Department of Transportation Services): "We conducted an investigation, and our records indicate that the intersection of Lusitana and School Streets is under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Transportation (SDOT). Therefore, a request for a delayed or advanced green traffic light on the left turn unto Lusitana Street from School Street should be referred to the SDOT for their evaluation and direct reply to you. Should you have any questions, please contact Jack Patterson of my staff at 523-4180. A "CC" was forwarded to the State Department of Transportation, attn: Rodney Haraga.

Response from the State Department of Transportation is pending.

- **ITEM #13: Request for a left turn signal at the Intersection of Nuuanu Avenue and School Street.**

The Director from the Department of Transportation Services (Melvin N. Kaku) sent the Chair a letter dated May 31, 2006 to inform the Neighborhood Board that they have completed the evaluation per the request, and have determined that the left turn signal is warranted. The Department of Transportation Services will be programming the installation of the signal pending the availability of funds. Should there be any questions, to please call Adrian Chang at 523-4800.

Status Pending. (Reference RISR Dart # 158009, and 159703)

- **ITEM#14: By Board Sec./Treasurer Patt Spencer (May 16, 2006) – Request for a sprinkler system on Puowaina Drive (Vacant lot where the “Welcome to Papakolea” signage is placed), and for the planting of Hawaiian plants.**

NOTE: Funds were removed from the previous Mayor Jeremy Harris’s City Administration.

STATUS/Action Taken:

June 7th and 20th, 2006 - Office of the Managing Director informed Councilmember Tam’s office that this matter was referred to the Department of Design and Construction for a response.

Status Pending.

June 8, 2006 – The Chair received a phone call from the land acquisition department. Their surveyors are backlogged for approximately 12 weeks. They will attempt to expedite the process but cannot guarantee a specific timetable.

Ref RISR 158005

ITEM #15: Follow-up by the City Auditor to conduct an audit of the City’s Abandoned and Derelict Vehicle program.

STATUS/Action Taken:

As the Chair stated in the board’s May 16, 2006 scheduled meeting, the City Auditor will inform the councilmember(s) sometime in June 2006 of his intentions to pursue the requested audit in the upcoming fiscal year.

City Auditor Leslie I. Tanaka (692-5134) submitted a letter on May 25, 2006; to all city council members to indicate his preliminary annual work plan of the proposed audit for FY2006-07.

ITEM #16: 2120 Star Road (Pauoa) – Mr. Edward Wu (May 25, 2006)

City crews responded to a complaint called in by Mr. Edward Wu, who is a resident of 2120 Star Road in Pauoa Valley. Mr. Wu’s complaint was that a drainage canal fronting his property has been clogged with concrete. This blockage causes flooding onto Mr. Wu’s property during times of rain. Mr. Wu reported that the City crews did not do anything to unclog this drainage canal.

STATUS/Action Taken:

A Request For Investigative Service Report was initiated via Councilmember Rod Tam's office to the City Administration to inquire of the following:

To state the specific reasons why the drainage canal fronting 2120 Star Road was not cleared; and to convey the City administration's specific recommendations to address this issue as to prevent Mr. Wu's property from flooding in the future.

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ITEM #17: Restroom Facility at Booth District Park – adjacent to Pauoa Road – By: Mason Aiona (June 8,2006)

Restroom facility is not being maintained properly on a daily basis. The Urinals, basins, and toilets are clogged, toilet paper dispenser is broken, and there is no supply of soap and toilet paper for public use.

STATUS/Action Taken:

A Request For Investigative Service Report was initiated via Councilmember Rod Tam's office to the City Administration for their findings, recommendations and action to be taken in bringing this concern to a closure.

On June 20, 2006, the City's Managing Director's Office responded to state that the matter has been referred to the Department of Parks and Recreation for a response. Reference RISR Dart # 159741.

ITEM #18: Booth District Park (Recreational Facility and Gymnasium) By: Mason Aiona (July 2006)

Request was made to replace and/or repair all inoperable lighting fixtures surrounding and implanted in the facilities.

Response Pending.

ITEM #19: 2150 Tantalus Drive & Papakolea Community Park – By Papakolea Community Association Reference RISR #161621 (June 30, 2006)

Request to install of speed bumps fronting the location and also to provide funds for the park maintenance of the Papakolea Community Park. (Puni Kekauoha)

The city's Managing Director's Office forward this issue to: Parks & Recreation and Transportation Services

Response Pending